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## **ATTORNEY SENTENCED FOR RECEIVING CHILD PORNOGRAPHY**

WASHINGTON – A Maryland resident, who previously worked as an attorney in the District of Columbia, was sentenced today for one count of receiving child pornography, Acting Assistant Attorney General Matthew Friedrich of the Criminal Division announced.

Emerson Vincent Briggs, 41, was sentenced today by Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia to 70 months in prison, to be followed by 10 years of supervised release and a \$12,500 fine. According to the plea documents, Briggs admitted that between November 2005 and April 2006, while at his law office in the District of Columbia, he used peer-to-peer software to deliberately download and store multiple videos of child pornography. Briggs admitted that some of these images involved minors who were younger than 12 years old.

The case was prosecuted by trial attorney Wendy Waldron of the Criminal Division's Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section and investigated by the FBI.

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